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Let us examine your eyes (no charge) and if glasses are found to be necessary we'll fit you scientifically and satisfactorily.  
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In buying wine it's how good, not how cheap. Same way with laundry work. Get the best—the Yale Laundry, 514 10th St. Phone 1092. It

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\$2 for box containing six pieces 50c. Underwear, — the Heavy Glove-ditting Ribbed Shirts and Drawers.....\$1 for box containing six pairs 25c Half Hose. Choice of all styles.  
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**The ultimate economy of best dress goods—black especially—is recognized by all women.**  
And now prices of these best fabrics are lowered as never before.  
**\$1.68**  
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Best Black Frise Creponette and the other new black "Zibeline"—50 inches wide.  
\$7.50 a yard is a high price to give for a Black Dress, so we ask you to carefully investigate.  
If you find the identical goods elsewhere marked \$2.50 a yard will you not think the Palais Royal price —\$1.68—is reasonable?  
\$7.50 yards of this 50-inch fabric will make a skirt. \$2.50 a yard is \$5.00. Less than six dollars for the material of such a skirt; the richest of the rich, the best of the best.  
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—if they split or crock within 6 months of purchase new material given, promptly, and with proper apology.  
Need we ask if a written guarantee can be given with the ordinary \$1 Silks.  
27-inch Gros Grain Silks.....\$1  
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Black Moire Antique.....\$1  
Black Moire Francaise.....\$1  
Black Moire Velour.....\$1  
Black G. "Coco".....\$1  
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The last mentioned Fancy Black Silks are not guaranteed. The same applies to fancy Silks at \$2.50 a yard, not less than these at \$1.  
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Only one other firm in the United States quoting these prices—and that's Messrs. Simpson, Crawford & Simpson of New York, who jointly purchased the stock.  
\$7.50 the stock includes Lace Curtains at 30c. pair, such as usually retail at 75c. and those at \$3.50 pair, such as usually retail at \$5.00. A half hundred pieces between these extremes.  
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The sale of Dress Goods and Curtains is attracting so much of our attention and yours that we are apt to overlook the other bargains.  
49c for Ladies' Ribbed Underwear, a strong truth. Natural and White Ribbed Wood Vests, with silk crocheted edge and silk trimmings. Pair with improved yoke band, open at side, with strings.  
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"Opening" of Paris Theater Bonnets and English Style "Picture Hats."  
The enthusiasm continues unabated. Milliners and their assistants from leading retail establishments are among our many visitors.—But can they effectually copy these superb creations?  
**Palais Royal,**  
G and Eleventh Streets.....A. Lincer.

**"If they're Rich's shoes they're proper."**  
Ten two F Street.  
We are pleased to announce the arrival of a new lot of Black and Tan Bicycle Boots—the same of stylishness—such as are sold in the leading New York stores for five dollars—  
**\$3.48 pair.**  
Also new shipment of Bicycle Leggings—in all styles and colors and all materials—have just arrived. 48c. ap.  
Largest stock of these in town.  
We shall include in that lot of Men's Shoes at \$3.48 which we secured from that upstart Broadway store in New York City a new lot of patent leather shoes—leather and cloth top—in English and pointed toes. They are really \$5.00 values.  
We want to call your attention to our line of Ladies' \$3.48 "College" Shoes. These are all very high grade shoes, and are waterproof, hygienic and warm. Worth \$5.  
Your shoes polished free—any time.  
**B. Rich's Sons,**  
Ten-two F Street.  
Howard's Corset Emporium,  
1003 F St.,  
Next to Woodward & Lothrop's.  
**Several Specials in**  
**CORSETS.**  
Remember that your health—your comfort and your graceful appearance are almost entirely controlled by the Corsets you wear.  
Be sure of the wisdom of your choice before you buy.  
Ask our advice and you'll get the Corsets that'll best meet your individual requirements.  
**R. & G. Corsets**  
42 dozen R. & G. Corsets, extra long waist. Special, per pair.....**\$1.00**  
**P. D. Corsets.** Imported  
19 doz. P. D. Imported Corsets, in white and gray. Special, per pair.....**\$1.50**  
**J. B. Corsets.**  
14 doz. J. B. Corsets, in black, extra long waist. Special, per pair.....**\$1.00**  
We fit and guarantee each pair of these Corsets.  
**HOWARD'S**  
Corset Emporium,  
1003 F Street.  
**89 CENTS**  
\*\* For our 2-clasp and 4-butt-ton Pique English Walking \* \* \* \* \*  
\* \* \* \* \* Imported to sell at \$1.50. One of the handsomest goods we've ever received. Service, style and quality were never so well linked together. These gloves are guaranteed—and at the price are a splendid money's worth.  
**65c. FOR 4-BUTTON KID GLOVES!**  
\* \* \* \* \* Usually retailed elsewhere for \$1.00. In all shades. Nowhere else can you secure as good a value as this! All sizes.  
**Louvre Glove Co., 919 F St.**  
OUR BUSINESS IS GROWING.  
**We may suffer**  
by thoughtless comparison—because we haven't any Furniture—Carpets or Draperies that will prove traitors to your confidence. Such are sold at lower prices than we can quote.  
But if you want good, honest, substantial value—in brand new, up-to-date patterns—we don't yield first place to anybody.  
Investigate—but consider both sides—quality as well as cost.  
**HOEKE.**  
FURNITURE—CARPETS—DRAPERIES,  
11 Pa. Ave. and 8th Street.  
**This Week**  
—at the low price of \$1.50 per yard—will sell every piece for \$2.50.  
This wine is very popular with the ladies because it is so delicious. Go to top of deserts with: **TO-KALON Wine Co.,**  
614 14th St. Phone 998.  
J. T. WALKER BROS., 204 10TH ST. N. W., CARPET, LUMBER, PAINT, FIRE BRICK AND CLAY, ABRASIVES, PAINTS, BRUSHES, LIME, CEMENT, TON and other Building Material.

**The Busy Corner, 8th and Market Space.**  
**S. Kann, Sons & Co.**  
**BEAUTY**  
IS A WITCH, AGAINST WHOSE SUBLTLE CHARM THE CLANDESTINE PURSE IS OPEN AS AIR. OUR NEW SILKS ARE AN INSPIRATION. THERE IS GRACE AND BEAUTY IN EACH SHINING FOLD. IT SEEMS SACRILEGE TO PUT SUCH PRICES ON SUCH GEMS OF THE WEATHER'S ART. NEVER BEFORE.  
We intend to keep the name of Silk Kings enshrined in our establishment.  
EXTRA QUALITY HEAVY-WEIGHT RUSTLING BLACK TAFFETA, OVER THREE-QUARTERS OF A YARD WIDE.  
Good value at \$1.00.  
**Only 79c.**  
24-INCH FINE ALL-SILK BLACK SATIN DRESSING, HEAVY TWILLED BLACK, AND EXTRA FINE SATIN SHEEN.  
Good value at \$1.25.  
**Only 98c.**  
BLACK CASHMERE FINISHED GROS GRAIN, FULL 24 INCHES WIDE. THE WEARING QUALITY OF THIS PIECE OF SILK ARE UNLIMITED.  
Good value at \$1.50.  
**Only \$1.00**  
HANDSOME BLACK SATIN BROCADES, WITH SHOTS, DASHES, FLOWERS AND SPRAYS. ALL THE NEWEST EFFECTS OF '96. FULL 24 INCHES WIDE.  
Good value at \$1.50.  
**Only \$1.00**  
24-INCH ALL-SILK DOUBLE-FACE BLACK SATIN LUXOR, THE GREATEST WEAR-RESISTING SILK EVER INTRODUCED.  
Good value at \$1.75.  
**Only \$1.00**  
ALL-SILK BLACK GROS GRAIN, WITH LARGE SATIN FLOWERS, CAPTIVE THE VERY LATEST DESIGNS. ALSO 24 INCHES WIDE.  
Good value at \$1.50.  
**Only \$1.00**  
24-INCH ALL-SILK BLACK ARMURE, VERY HEAVY QUALITY IN THREE DIFFERENT SIZES. GIVE THE VERY BEST VALUE FOR CASH OR MOURNING WEAR.  
Good value at \$1.50.  
**Only \$1.00**  
24-INCH REVERSIBLE PEAT D'EBENE. THIS IS ONE OF THE FINEST SATIN-EFFECT SILKS EVER LOOMED. THE WEAVING QUALITIES OF THIS WEAVE ARE PERFECT. A GARMENT MADE OF THIS MATERIAL CAN BE HANDLED FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION WITH GRAND RESULTS. THE SAME AS THEY USED TO DO IN OUR GRANDMOTHER'S DAYS.  
Good value at \$2.50.  
**Only \$1.50**  
YOU WILL NOTICE THAT WE ONLY OFFER OUR BLACKS IN THIS ADVERTISING COLUMN. OUR NEXT SILK AD. WILL GIVE YOU SPECIAL PRICES ON ALL OUR FINE COLORED NOVELTIES.  
**Wealth and Wisdom**  
TRAVEL TOGETHER. WE CAN'T ALL OF US BE WEALTHY, BUT WE CAN BE WEAIRIER THAN WE WANT TO BE. WE CAN BE WISE AND PENNY WHICH WE SPENT AND HOW WE WOULD IT IS PLACED. THE SHORTEST JOURNEY TO THE WAY OF WEALTH IS OUR STORE.  
**Black Goods For Wednesday.**  
ALL-WOOL DOUBLE WITH BLACK TRICOT. A BARGAIN AT 19c.  
A bigger one at 12 1/2c.  
40-INCH ALL-WOOL BLACK HENRIETTA. A BARGAIN AT 25c.  
A bigger one at 19c.  
38-INCH ALL-WOOL BLACK SICILIAN. A BARGAIN AT 25c.  
A bigger one at 19c.  
40-INCH BLACK FIGURED MOHAIR, IN A VARIETY OF STYLES. A BARGAIN AT 25c.  
A greater one at 19c.  
45-INCH ALL-WOOL FINE BLACK IMPERIAL SERGE. A BARGAIN AT 35c.  
A greater one at 29c.  
45-INCH EXTRA HEAVY ALL-WOOL STORM SERGE. A BARGAIN AT 50c.  
A better one at 39c.  
40-INCH ALL-WOOL FINE BLACK FANTASY JACQUARD. THE NEWEST DESIGN. A BARGAIN AT 50c.  
A better one at 39c.  
40-INCH SILK LUSTERED SICILIAN, THE VERY ACME OF A PERFECT WEAVE. A BARGAIN AT 75c.  
A grander one at 59c.  
45-INCH ALL-WOOL IMPORTED BOURRETT CREPE. CLASSIC AND A STYLISH GARMENT. A BARGAIN FOR \$1.00.  
A grander one at 75c.  
50-INCH IMPORTED BLACK CANYAS CLOTH AND CAMEL'S HAIR SHAKETINE, TWO OF THE SWELL WEAVES OF '96. A BARGAIN AT \$1.25.  
A grander one at \$1.39.  
50-INCH BLACK NOVELTY CLOTH, WITH TRUFFS OF CAMEL'S HAIR. ONE OF THE NEWEST FADS IN BLACK. A BARGAIN AT \$1.50.  
A grander one at \$1.39.  
54-INCH BLACK ASTRAKHAN AND NIGER-HAND-FINISHED CLOAKING, REQUIRING NO LININGS TO GIVE THEM WEIGHT. PERFECT FINISH ON THE WRONG SIDE. A BARGAIN AT \$1.98.  
A grander one at \$1.50.  
**We Have the**  
Proper Linings to go with either the best grade of silks or the cheaper grades of black.  
Best Kid-finished Dressmakers' Cambric, 2 1/2c.  
Imitation Herring Bone Hair Cloth, 2 1/2c.  
10c. ECLIPSE FIBRE INTERLINING, 64 INCHES WIDE.  
12c. STIFF MOKA HUNTLE Lining, 36 INCHES WIDE.  
25c. GENUINE BLACK HAIR CLOTH, 25c.  
35c. ALL-LINEN SILK LUSTRE Lining, 36 INCHES WIDE.  
35c. GENUINE GRAY HAIR CLOTH, 25c.  
25c. FINE TAFFETA LUSTRE Lining, 36 INCHES WIDE.  
15c. GENUINE HEAVY SILK LUSTRE Lining, 36 INCHES WIDE.  
10c. FULL BUSTLED SILK LUSTRE Lining, 36 INCHES WIDE.  
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